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1. Roman Shantz called and asked if we would watch for any hearings regarding import restrictions by the Small Arms Manufacturing Institute.

2. Mrs. Leech in Senator Roman L. Hruska's office (R., Neb.) called and requested ten additional copies of the article entitled, The International Communist Movement in Its New Phase, which appeared in the October 1958 issue of the publication, Kommunist #15. This translation (FDD #720) has been requested from the Records Center.

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4. Jeff Burris (Bureau of the Budget) returned our call concerning S. 4231 - 85th Congress (Magnuson's bill amending the Communications Act). Burris said that a definite position on this bill had not been reached. FCC and Justice, the principal agencies involved, have not submitted reports as yet, although Senator Magnuson has been pressing them for their comments. Burris added that the bill was drafted by three companies (RCA, Western Union and IT&T) ^{who} wanted to merge. He also said that in the past the FCC has opposed similar measures but has informally indicated that in view of international conditions might change its position. He said that Mr. Ash End in FCC was the most knowledgeable individual on the subject (code 169, x68). This information was passed on to General McClelland who indicated an interest in this bill and

advised that one of his men sat in on a meeting in the Defense Department with representatives of the Communication Workers of America who strongly opposed the measure as monopolistic. General McClelland feels this bill is of interest to us. We shall watch for its reintroduction in the 86th Congress.

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